

City of Auburn Traffic Committee MEETING

The Regular Session of the Traffic Committee was held in Room 10, City Hall, 1225 Lincoln Way, Auburn, California on Tuesday, August 16, 2011 at 8:30 a.m. with Chair Ruffcorn presiding and Deputy City Clerk Amy Lind recording the minutes.

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL:

Committee Members Present: John Ruffcorn, Chair, Bernie Schroeder, Dir. Of Public Works, Alan Young (for Fred Vitas) Planning Commission

Committee Members Absent: Fred Vitas, Bill Kirby, Robert Richardson

1. Public Comment: None
2. No quorum of members. No minutes approved.

ACTION ITEMS:

3. None

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

4. **Westwood Hill Homeowners Association – No parking – Red Curb zones Westwood Dr at Incline Dr on both sides of street**

Bernie Schroeder said she will look at the area and will take care of anything necessary. She said she will follow up with the HOA and provide an update at the next Traffic Committee meeting.

5. **Streetscape Update**

Bernie Schroeder reported on the progress of Streetscape. She said it is on schedule to be completed the first part of November. She said the south side should be completed in the next few weeks and the north side has most of the sidewalk completed. Alan Young asked about the section in front of where Fowlers TV was located, and Bernie confirmed that is part of the scope of the project.

6. **Stop Sign at 550 High Street**

Chief Ruffcorn said he did observation at this area with a motor officer and reviewed citations issued from this area.

7. Magnolia Avenue between Cherry & Hillmont speeding issues
(Sally Dawley in attendance)

Chief Ruffcorn said there are little to no citations issued in this area. Sally Dawley explained her concerns including cars coming down Magnolia from Linden or Orange and that the street is narrow with cars parked on both sides. She said she feels a stop sign (only one direction stop sign currently) would aid this situation. Chief Ruffcorn said he will have volunteer staff run radar while school is in session to access the situation. Chief Ruffcorn stressed to Sally to report any problems she encounters in the future. Bernie Schroeder also said she will do an observation at the area and it will be on a future agenda again.

8. Vehicle right turns against red traffic light concerns at the following: 1.Fulweiler and Nevada, 2. Elm and 49, 3. Palm and 49.

Chief Ruffcorn reported according to an 18 months period: location 1 has one incident, location 2 had 7 incidents, location 3 had five incidents. Sally Dawley explained her concern of each blind intersection and that you have to pull too far forward to see oncoming traffic. Bernie Schroeder addressed the situation and explained how it directly impacts the intersection. She said location 3 may be a Caltrans intersection. She said location 1 may be a candidate for a “stop bar”. Alan Young said he agrees in regards to location 1 and said there is both a speed and safety issue at the intersection. Bernie Schroeder said she would review the intersections and bring back to the committee in the future.

OBTA AGENDA ITEMS PENDING PER FINALIZATION OF PARKING/TRAFFIC STUDY:

Traffic Study – AD HOC COMMITTEE handling:

This was discussed with staff and Will Wong is currently working on it. There is a problem with business owner’s employees parking in many of the Old Town parking stalls. There was group discussion about having observations done in certain areas.

Adjournment

Chief Ruffcorn adjourned the meeting at 9:05 a.m.